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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/696,866 for
PROCESS FOR THE BACK-SURFACE GRINDING OF
WAFERS
Our Ref. No. 1406/178

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (2 pages) in duplicate;
3. Copies of cited references (16 references); and
4. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants' undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the references as well as Form PTO-1449 are attached hereto. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

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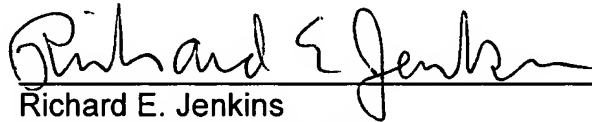
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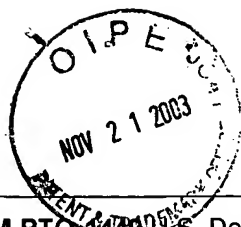
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